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1. HIGHLIGHTS. SUNDAY WASHSTAR REPORTED RUSH DEPARTURE IN-SIDE; SUNDAY HEADLINES INCLUDED: THIEU PORTRAYS HIS FOREIGN TOUR AS TRIUMPH; LEBANESE REVOLUTIONARY GUARD CLAIMS CREDIT FOR OIL BLASTS. TV NEWS COVERS VOYAGE OF QE2 TO ISRAEL EACH NIGHT.

1 A. MONDAY PAPERS FEATURED SAIGON UNITS MAKE RAIDS ON CAMBODIA; INSIDE WASHPOST HEADED HOAGLAND BEIRUT, AFTER ISRAEL' S COMMANDO RAID, LEBANON CONDUCTS A SPY HUNT; POST ALSO HAD LOCAL STORY EX- GREEK GENERALS CALL ON JUNTA TO RESTORE DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT.

1 B. TUESDAY PAPERS FRONTPAGE CUTBACK OF 274 MILITARY BASES; ALSO US BOMBS LAOS AGAIN, PLUS SAIGON RAIDS ON CAMBODIA CONTINUE. NYTIMES FRONTPAGES EGYPT ASKS UN TO BAN US AID
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TO ISRAEL. INSIDE PAPERS HAVE BEIRUT AP, ATTACK ON ARAMCO PIPELINE BY UNKNOWN SABOTEURS IS UNSUCCESSFUL.

1 C. INSIDE NYTIMES HAS TEL AVIV REUTERS, MRS. MEIR SAYS FULBRIGHT HAS NEVER SHOWN FRIENDSHIP, ALSO BEIRUT DE ONIS,

SYRIANS SAID TO FIRE ON PROTESTERS. WASHPOST HAS BEIRUT HOAGLAND, QADDAFI SAYS EGYPT, SYRIA SPURN ARAB CAUSE, ALSO SPEECH IN LIBYA CALLED FOR WIDE- RANGING ANTI- WESTERN CULTURAL REVOLUTION INSIDE LIBYA. POST ALSO HAS RAWALPINDI SIMONS, PAKISTAN WARNS BANGLADESH OF RETALIATION IF POW' S ARE TRIED; ALSO LOCAL STORY, SHOT FIRED THROUGH WINDOW AT HOME OF NEW ZEALAND CHARGE HENSLEY, HOUSE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN OCCUPIED BY JORDANIAN DIPLOMAT; MESSAGE PAINTED ON HOUSE CITED BLACK SEPTEMBER AND STATE DEPARTMENT SAID THIS WAS FIRST LOCAL INCIDENT IN WHICH THAT NAME HAS BEEN USED.

1 D. BALTSUN HAS JERUSALEM STORY REPORTING ISRAEL HAS ARRESTED TWO PALESTINIAN EDITORS ON CHARGES OF EVADING CENSORSHIP AND INCITING WEST BANK RESIDENTS TO REVOLT.

2. RUSH. SUNDAY WASHSTAR HAD LOCAL UPI REPORTING RUSH LEFT FOR ORIENTATION TOUR OF SEVERAL SOUTH ASIAN COUNTRIES AND HONG KONG. UPI SAID STATE DEPARTMENT, ANNOUNCING RUSH' S DEPARTURE, SAID HE WOULD ALSO BE ATTENDING A CONFERENCE OF TOP MIDDLE EAST DIPLOMATS IN IRAN, AND THAT RUSH IS ACCOMPANIED BY SISCO. ACCORDING UPI, THE DEPARTMENT SAID RUSH WOULD BE VISITING AFGHANISTAN, BANGLADESH, INDIA, IRAN, NEPAL, PAKISTAN, SRI LANKA, A SPOKESMAN SAYING DEPUTY SECRETARY WISHED TO REFAMILIARIZE HIMSELF WITH AREA WHICH HE HAD VISITED AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN AND HIS EXACT ITINERARY WAS NOT RELEASED FOR SECURITY REASONS.

3. MEIR. NYTIMES HAS TEL AVIV REUTERS PM MEIR SAID IN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED THERE TODAY THAT FULBRIGHT HAD NEVER SAID A GOOD WORD ABOUT ISRAEL. STORY ADDED THAT IN INTERVIEW WITH LEFT- WING MAPAM PAPER AL HAMISHMAR PM SAID FULBRIGHT SHOULDN' T BE QUOTED AS EXAMPLE OF AMERICAN THINKING TOWARD ISRAEL, REUTERS ADDING THAT FULBRIGHT ON FACE THE NATION SUNDAY ASSERTED THAT NIXON ADMINISTRA-
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TION WAS UNABLE TO PUT PRESSURE ON ISRAEL FOR A MIDEAST

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SETTLEMENT BECAUSE THE SENATE WAS SUBSERVIENT TO ISRAEL.
MRS. MEIR SAID IN INTERVIEW FULBRIGHT HADN' T SLEPT NIGHTS
FOR YEARS BECAUSE UNDER AMERICAN LAW PART OF UNITED JEWISH
APPEAL FUNDS ARE FREE OF INCOME TAX, ACCORDING REUTER
WHICH ADDS PREMIER SAID WHEN SISCO GAVE EVIDENCE BEFORE
SFRC FULBRIGHT ASKED: IT DOESN' T WORRY YOU SO MUCH MONEY
FLOWS TO ISRAEL?

4. EGYPT AT UN. TUESDAY NYTIMES, ALDEN REPORTS EGYPT' S
FOREIGN MINISTER DR. ZAYYAT IN HEATED AND AT TIMES UNRULY

DEBATE, CALLED UPON SECURITY COUNCIL TO PREVENT US FROM
GIVING ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND MILITARY SUPPLIES TO
ISRAEL, AND ASKING FOR FULL EXAMINATION OF ALL UN EFFORTS
IN MIDDLE EAST QUOTE BECAUSE THE COUNCIL AND WORLD IT RE-
PRESENTS HAS THE RIGHT TO KNOW WHETHER PEACE EFFORTS IN
THE MIDDLE EAST HAVE INDEED REACHED A DEAD AND UNQUOTE.
WASHPOST' S ANTHONY ASTRACHAN FROM UN ADDS ZAYYAT, SUPPORT-
ING HIS CONTENTION BY FULBRIGHT REMARKS ON FACE THE NATION,
SAID BAN ON MILITARY AND FINANCIAL SUPPLIES TO ISRAEL IS
ESSENTIAL FOR ATTAINMENT OF PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST.
ASTRACHAN FURTHER SAYS US HAS MADE PLAIN IT WILL VETO
RESOLUTION FAILING TO STRIKE BALANCE BETWEEN ISRAELI RAID
IN BEIRUT AND ARAB TERRORIST ACTIVITIES AND THAT
RESOLUTION IN KEEPING WITH ZAYYAT' S SPEECH WOULD THEREFORE
INVITE US VETO. TIMES' ALDEN ALSO REPORTS ZAYYAT TOLD
COUNCIL THAT RESOLUTION SIMILAR TO OTHERS IN PAST AIMED
AT CURBING ISRAELI AGGRESSION WOULD BE USELESS AND THAT
ISRAEL NEED NOT FEAR SANCTIONS SINCE THEY HAVE US VETO.
ALDEN ADDS DR. ZAYYAT' S WORDS HAD ALL BUT BEEN FORGOTTEN
AS CHINA, SOVIET UNION AND ISRAEL EXCHANGED HEATED WORDS
WITH MOUNTING PASSION. ROGERS

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